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SUBJECT: LT GENERAL NORTH DISCUSSES GAZA, PIRACY, AND
MILITARY COOPERATION WITH MOD OFFICIALS

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Classified By: Deputy Chief of Mission Matthew Tueller per 1.4 (b) and (d).

1. (C) On January 26, AFCENT Commander Lieutenant General North met with MOD Chief of Staff General Sami Enan to discuss Gaza, piracy, and inc
2. (C) On Gaza and counter smuggling efforts, Lt Gen North expressed appreciation for Egypt's efforts to secure a durable cease fire in Gaza.
3. (C) Enan expressed MOD's willingness to cooperate with the U.S. on countering arms smuggling, such as by accelerating the installation of t
4. (C) On piracy, Lt Gen North informed Enan that CENTCOM assets continued to track incidents of piracy and illegal shipments throughout the r
5. (C) On Foreign Military Financing (FMF), Lt Gen North encouraged MOD to quickly approve a pending Letter of Request (LOR) for 24 F-16 aircr
6. (C) Lt Gen North informed Enan that AFCNT was exploring ways to increase participation n the 2009 Bright Star exercise. Enan welcomed U.S.
- 7.(U) Lt Gen North cleared this cable. SCOBey